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REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a Divisional application under $37\ \text{CFR}\ 1.53\,\text{(b)}$ of pending prior application Serial No. 08/924,091 filed September 5, 1997.

- [x] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application as originally filed including a copy of the signed Declaration and a copy of the drawings.
- [x] The prior application is assigned to Sony Corporation and the Assignment was recorded on February 19, 1998 at Reel 9010, Frame 0898.
- 3. [x] Priority of Application(s) No.(s) P08-246686, P08-246680, and P08-246681 filed on September 18, 1996, September 18, 1996, and September 18, 1996 respectively, in Japan are claimed under 35 USC 119.
 - [x] The certified copy in support of the



claim of priority has been filed in the Prior Application Serial No. 08/924,091 and acknowledgment thereof is requested.

- [] This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown below in parentheses apply.
- b. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims Appearing in the Prior Application, Less Any Claims Canceled By Amendment Below

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Basic Fee	Filed			Extr	Fee 710(\$355)	
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Total Filing Fee.....\$ 710.00

- [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 03-3125. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- [x] A check in the amount of \$710.00 is enclosed.
- 7. [x] Amend claims 1-6, 13 and 14 and add new claim 28.
- 8. [x] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 --This is a division of prior application Serial No. 08/924,091 filed September 5,
- 9. [x] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application identified above is considered as being a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- 10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior

application is to Jay H. Maioli, Reg. No. 27,213, Cooper & Dunham, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10036.

- a. [x] The power appears in the prior application.
- b. [x] Address all future communications to: Jay H. Maioli, Cooper & Dunham, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036.
- 11. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

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